

## **STATUS OF CURRENT PROGRAMS**

Since last year, the list of current system use agreements replaces the former list of current programs. Current agreements include all the SUA which were seen as active since may 2003 and those which were valid during the same period of time even if they are not already or no more active. Note that active means that at least one platform belonging to a program from this SUA has transmitted at least once over the period. This can explain why some expired SUA are still in the list when the user has not switched off all the platforms.

As before, the user's requirements are given in the last columns of the table with the following abbreviations :

- PC            Polar coverage
- GC            Global coverage
- LA            Location Accuracy
- TT            Throughput time
- TP            Transmitter power
- TSW          Transmitter size and weight
- SCR          Service continuity and reliability
- C            Compatibility
- SA            System access
- TE            Test and evaluation
- CE            Cost efficiency
- OTH          Other requirements

The number of current agreements is 1106. The current programs are operated by users from 74 countries, (73 last year).

The number of SUA approved since April 2002 was 506 and it represents an increase of 28 % in one year. There were 203 approved initial agreements and 273 renewed agreements. The breakdown of currents agreements, programs and platforms by applications is given in table 1 and shown in the graphs.

The breakdown of agreements by categories, i.e. Environmental (E) or Non-Environmental (NE), Governmental / Non-profit (G) or Non-Governmental (NG), with Government Interest (GI), or with a potential risk of Loss of Life (LL), or Tests (T)

remains approximately the same as it was last year : 87.8 % (-2.4%) of the agreements are Environmental / Governmental, 5.1% (-0.1 %) are Environmental / Non Governmental with Government Interest, and 1.7% (+1.1 %) are Non Environmental / Governmental.

The breakdown of agreements by applications, i.e. Oceanography, Wildlife, Earth sciences, Fishing, Hazmat and Non environment remains also approximately the same as last year. Wildlife continues to increase from 47.2 % to 49.2 % while Oceanography slightly decreased from 33.6 % to 31.7 %. The breakdown of programs by applications is still not very representative due to the important number of programs in some fishing SUA such as in Peru.

The breakdown of Id numbers by applications shows that Oceanography represents nearly 30 % of allocated Ids and Wildlife 28 %. Note that allocated id numbers do not mean active platforms !

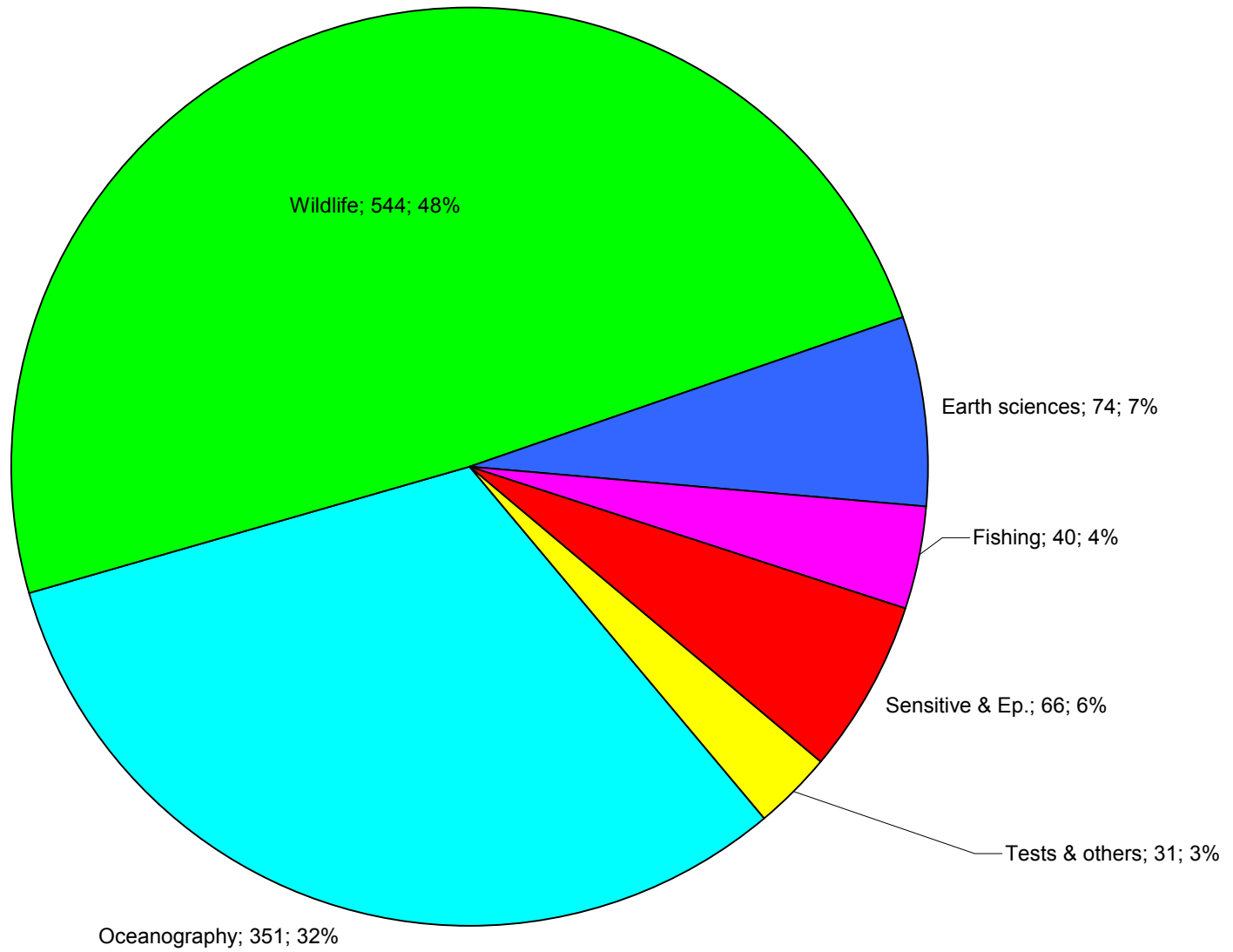
**Table 1 : Current agreements, programs and allocated ID numbers**

<b>Agreements</b>	<b>Oceanography</b>	<b>Wildlife</b>	<b>Earth sciences</b>	<b>Fishing</b>	<b>Sensitive &amp; Ep.</b>	<b>Tests &amp; others</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Initial</b>	127	287	22	16	40	11	503
<b>Renewal</b>	224	257	52	24	26	20	603
<b>Total</b>	351	544	74	40	66	31	1106
<b>%</b>	31,7%	49,2%	6,7%	3,6%	6,0%	2,8%	100,0%

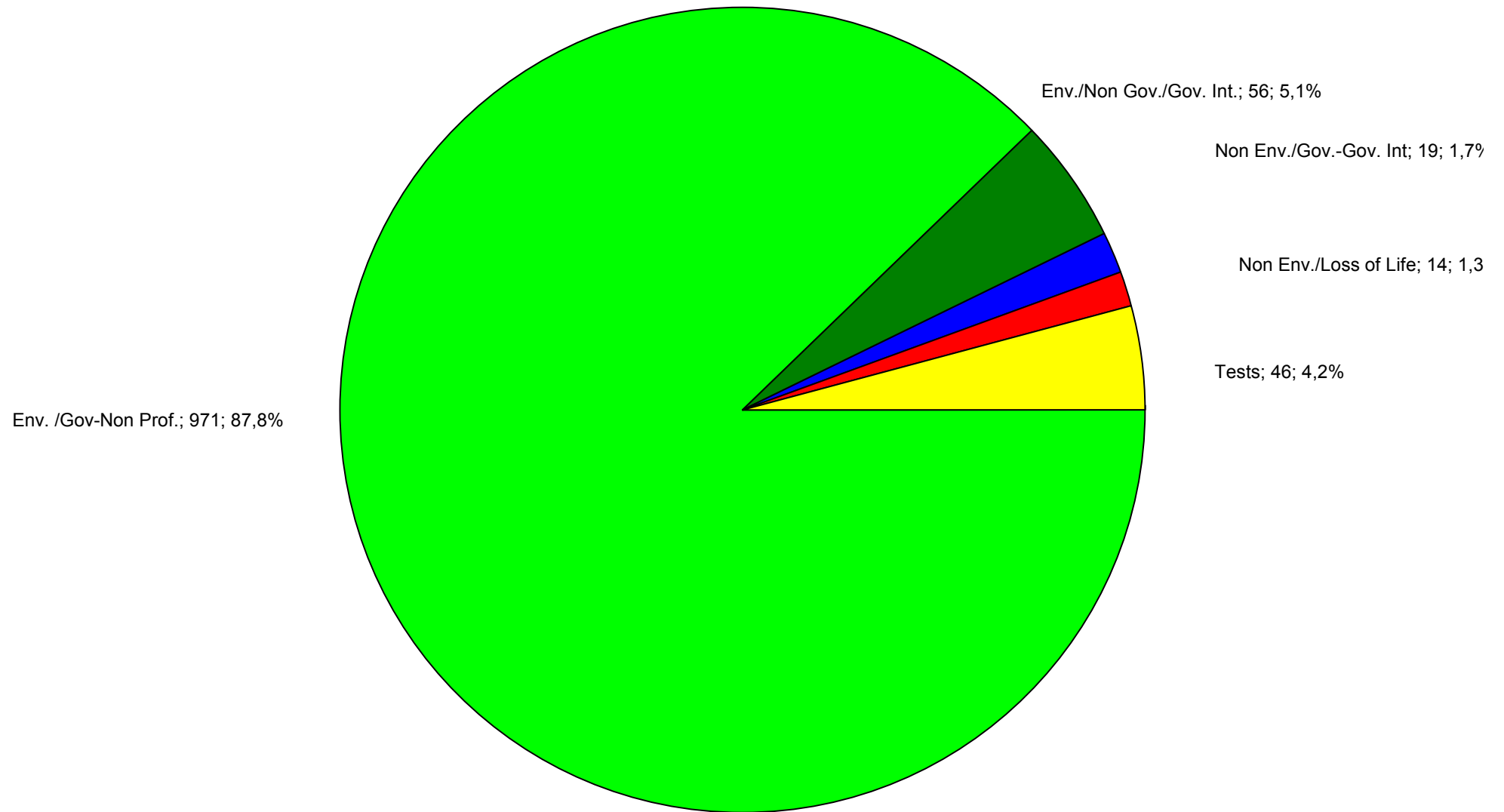
<b>Programs</b>	<b>Oceanography</b>	<b>Wildlife</b>	<b>Earth sciences</b>	<b>Fishing</b>	<b>Sensitive &amp; Ep.</b>	<b>Tests &amp; others</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Initial</b>	126	318	21	173	38	126	802
<b>Renewal</b>	363	441	70	1715	310	33	2932
<b>Total</b>	489	759	91	1888	348	159	3734
<b>%</b>	13,1%	20,3%	2,4%	50,6%	9,3%	4,3%	100,0%

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<b>Initial</b>	1677	3379	154	828	629	465	7132
<b>Renewal</b>	10597	8196	1336	5554	5182	3318	34183
<b>Total</b>	12274	11575	1490	6382	5811	3783	41315
<b>%</b>	29,7%	28,0%	3,6%	15,4%	14,1%	9,2%	100,0%

**SUAs by applications - May 2004**



SUAs by categories - May 2004



**Id numbers by applications - May 2004**

